STATE OF NEW MEXICO BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF SOUTH CENTRAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
FOR A SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT
RENEWAL AND MODIFICATION FOR THE
CORRALITOS REGIONAL LANDFILL

No. SWB 15-05(P)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Description of the Requested Action: The New Mexico Environment Department ("Department") will hold a public hearing to consider the matter of the application by South Central Solid Waste Authority ("Applicant") for renewal and modification of the Corralitos Regional Landfill ("CRLF") permit. The applicant is seeking to renew the existing solid waste facility permit and obtain a permit modification for lateral and vertical expansion and acceptance of additional special wastes. The permit application was initially submitted to the Department on August 26, 2013.

Hearing Date, Time, and Location: The hearing will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2015 in the Las Cruces Utilities Board Room, 680 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico. Public comment will be taken starting at 5:30 p.m. on May 28 and as additionally determined by the Hearing Officer. The hearing may continue on the following day(s) as determined by the Hearing Officer. In lieu of verbal public comments, written statements may be submitted for the record at, or prior to, the hearing.

The application for a solid waste facility permit renewal and modification has been reviewed by the Department for compliance with the New Mexico Solid Waste Act ("Act") and the New Mexico Solid Waste Rules, 20.9.2 to 20.9.10 NMAC. The Department deemed the application complete on April 10, 2015. The Secretary of Environment shall issue, issue with conditions, or deny solid waste facility permits in accordance with the Act. The Secretary of Environment considers all public comments, including issues relating to public health and welfare, in his decision to issue, issue with conditions, or deny the permit.

Name, Address, and Phone Number of the Applicant and Contact Person:

Applicant/Owner of Corralitos Regional Landfill: South Central Solid Waste Authority 2865 W. Amador Ave. Las Cruces, NM 88033

Contact Person: Mr. Patrick Peck

Phone: (575) 528-3800

Anticipated Start-Up Date of Facility Modification and Hours of Operation:

- (a) <u>Anticipated Start-Up Date:</u> CRLF is an existing solid waste facility operating under permit no. SWM-030706 and SWM-030706(SP) issued in August 1995. If approved, the anticipated start-up date for the permit modification is the date of permit application approval, and activities pursuant to the permit modification are anticipated to begin during the second half of 2015.
- (b) <u>Hours of Operation:</u> CRLF operating hours are 4:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, although the operating hours vary seasonally. CRLF is closed on three holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day).

Description of the Facility:

- (a) <u>Location and Size</u>: CRLF is located in Doña Ana County at 14535 Robert Larson Blvd., south of I-10 and approximately 15 miles west of Las Cruces. The facility is located within the northwest quarter and south half of Section 3, Township 24S, Range 2W and the north half of Section 10, Township 24S, Range 2W NMPM. The permit renewal and modification application seeks approval of a facility 499.5 acres in size with approximately 209.5 acres intended for waste disposal.
- (b) <u>General Process</u>: CRLF currently receives municipal solid waste, including construction and demolition debris (C&D), and sludge (a special waste) from South Central Solid Waste Authority haulers and commercial haulers. Solid waste is placed and compacted in lined cells that are served by environmental control systems (leachate collection, stormwater management controls, composite liners). At the end of each working day, the working face of the waste disposal area is covered with at least six inches of soil or an alternative daily cover approved by the Department. The pending application proposes construction of a separate monofill for disposal of asbestos waste only, and also seeks approval for disposal of six additional special wastes.
- (c) Quantity and Rate of Solid Waste: CRLF received approximately 415 tons per day (annual average) of solid waste in 2014, but expects to receive between 400 and 500 tons per day of solid waste depending upon market conditions and future special waste opportunities. CRLF is seeking approval to accept seven special wastes: sludge, asbestos waste, petroleum-contaminated soils ("PCS"), offal, industrial solid waste ("ISW"), spill of a chemical substance or commercial product ("spill waste"), and special wastes not otherwise specified ("SWNOS"). CRLF anticipates the following quantities of special wastes: 1,500 tons per year (tpy) of sludge; 1,500 tpy of asbestos waste; 350 tpy of PCS; 50 tpy of offal; 450 tpy of ISW; 50 tpy of spill waste; and 10 tpy of SWNOS.
- (d) <u>Types of Solid Waste</u>: CRLF is currently authorized to accept municipal solid waste (including C&D debris) and sludge (a special waste). In addition to these wastes, CRLF is seeking a permit modification to accept six additional special wastes (asbestos waste, PCS, offal, ISW, spill waste, and SWNOS).
- (e) <u>Description of the Modification</u>: CRLF is seeking permit modification for a vertical expansion that would raise the permitted final grades by 60 feet; a lateral expansion to accommodate the proposed asbestos waste monofill; and authorization for disposal of six additional special wastes as noted above.

Origin of Waste: Waste received at CRLF originates primarily from Doña Ana County, but may also originate from the surrounding areas of southern New Mexico and adjacent areas of Texas. It is anticipated that special waste may be delivered from areas outside this region.

Hearing Procedures: The public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Permit Procedures of the Environment Department (20.1.4 NMAC), which may be obtained at no charge from the Hearing Clerk, Sally Worthington, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, S-2103, Santa Fe, NM 87502, telephone (505)827-2002, fax (505)827-2836. The Permit Procedures are also available electronically at:

http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title20/20.001.0004.htm. Copies of the applicable Solid Waste Rules (20.9.2 through 20.9.10 NMAC) may also be obtained electronically at:

http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/_title20/T20C009.htm or by contacting George Schuman of the Solid Waste Bureau at (505) 827-2328.

Persons may speak at the public hearing or submit general written comments without filing any documents beforehand. However, any person wishing to be an interested party or present technical testimony at the hearing must file an Entry of Appearance or Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony with the Hearing Clerk and serve it upon other parties of record, on or before 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 14, 2015. Technical testimony means scientific, engineering, economic or other specialized testimony, whether oral or written, but does not include legal argument, general comments or statements of policy concerning matters at issue in the hearing.

In accordance with 20.1.4 NMAC, the Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony shall:

- a) identify the person filing the statement;
- b) state whether the person filing the statement supports or opposes the application;
- c) identify each witness, including name, address, affiliation(s), and educational and work background;
- d) estimate how long the direct testimony of each witness will take;
- e) identify all exhibits that are part of the Record Proper and, for exhibits not part of the Record Proper, attach a copy;
- f) list or make available all technical materials relied upon by each witness in making each statement of technical fact or opinion contained in his or her direct testimony; and
- g) attach a summary of the testimony of each witness, stating any opinion(s) to be offered by such witness, and an explanation of the basis for such opinion(s).

To promote efficiency and fairness, and to avoid prejudice and surprise, a person's direct technical testimony at the hearing shall be limited to the data, views and arguments raised in that person's filed Statement of Intent. Submittal of a Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony shall also be considered an Entry of Appearance.

If any person requires assistance, an interpreter, or auxiliary aid to participate in this process, please contact Mr. J.C. Borrego by Thursday, May 14, 2015 at the New Mexico Environment Department, Human Resources Bureau, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM, 87502, telephone (505)827-0424. TDD or TDY users should access Mr. Borrego's number through the New Mexico Relay Network (TDY users at 1-800-659-8331; TDD users at 1-800-659-1779).

The permit renewal and modification application may be reviewed at the following locations:

New Mexico Environment Department, Solid Waste Bureau, 1190 South St. Francis Drive, Suite N-2150, Santa Fe, NM 87502; Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Contact Teresa Musial at (505)827-2608.

New Mexico Environment Department, Las Cruces Field Office, 1170 North Solano Drive, Suite M, Las Cruces, NM 88001; Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Phone: (575) 524-6300.

South Central Solid Waste Authority, 2865 W. Amador Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88033. Phone: (575)528-3800.